Ellington Housing Authority Regular Meeting December 28, 2010

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- 1) Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM by Vice-Chair Peg Bean.
- 2) Members present: Peg Bean, Steve Bidwell, Deb Stauffer. Also present: Ted Yampanis.
- 3) Minutes of the meeting of 11/30/10 were reviewed and approved.
- 4) Public Forum: none present.
- 5) Financial Matters: As approved at the previous meeting, \$70,000 was withdrawn from STIF and invested in CD's with Rockville Bank. On 12/6/10, a \$60,000 24 month CD paying annual interest of 1.5%, and a 12 month CD paying annual interest of .9% were purchased. Ted and Kathy Cusson met on 12/14/10 with three people from ACCESS, the agency administering Weatherization grants, for a preaudit review. Early in January, ACCESS will conduct an on site weatherization audit. This will involve physically inspecting about 15 apartments to determine areas of heat loss and proposed remedies. Any grant offering will be based on this analysis. We do not know at this time if the offering will support our wish to replace all exterior doors and thresholds. If the agency is willing to finance some, but not all of our wishes, it may be possible to seek other sources of funds such as the Town's Housing Rehab Loan Repayment Fund.
- 6) Unit vacancy report: Presently fully occupied.
- 7) Maintenance: New cabinets have been installed in Apt. #5. Before and after photos were presented.
- 8) Unfinished Business: None.
- 9) New Business: The resignation of commissioner Katherine Cusson, effective 12/24/10 (pending acceptance by the Board of Selectmen) was discussed. Mrs. Cusson was the chairperson and treasurer. Ted has referred one potential replacement to the Board of Selectmen for consideration. Commissioner Deborah Stauffer has previously indicated that she will not seek reappointment upon expiration of her term of office in June 2011. Commissioner Stephen Schindler was absent for 7 of the 10 meetings in 2010. Ted discussed this situation with First Selectman, Maurice Blanchette, and requested his assistance in locating other potential candidates for forthcoming vancancies.

As requested by the board, a report by RSC Cathy Bouley, listing conferences attended during 2010 and the subject of each was presented and reviewed.

10) Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Theodore J. Yampanis Executive Director